

House Resolution No. 344

Whereas, the Missouri House of Representatives always welcomes the opportunity to acknowledge milestone attainments in the lives of Show-Me State residents who admirably serve as stellar examples for their contemporaries and future generations; and

Whereas, Arlene Jackson of Fulton, Missouri, first graduated from William Woods University in January 1960 when she received an Associate of Arts degree at the institution when it was a two-year college; and

Whereas, actually beginning her collegiate studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Arlene Jackson arrived on the small, attractive William Woods campus after her marriage to Vernon Jackson, a private practice and staff ophthalmologist at Fulton State Hospital whom she had met on a cruise to South America; and

Whereas, after graduating from William Woods, Arlene Jackson attained another milestone in her life when she gave birth to her son, Bil Jackson, who is now grown and a respected musician and teacher; and

Whereas, a stay-at-home mom until Bil entered school, Arlene Jackson returned to William Woods part-time to pursue a Bachelor of Arts degree in elementary education, a goal which she completed in 1970; and

Whereas, Arlene Jackson took a job as an aide in the department of special services at Fulton Middle School before once again beginning a new program of study by enrolling in night classes at William Woods in 1994 to earn a Master of Education degree two years later in 1996; and

Whereas, now a substitute teacher, Arlene Jackson loves spending her time with her growing family and helping others understand the joys of learning:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the exemplary diligence, drive, and determination which resulted in Arlene Jackson's receiving three earned academic degrees from William Woods University during a period of thirty-seven years and to convey to her this legislative body's heartiest congratulations for being the first person in the school's history to achieve that level of distinction and our best wishes for continued personal success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Arlene Jackson of Fulton, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Danie Moore
District No. 20

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 344, adopted February 20, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

